AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph at page 1, line 11 with the following rewritten paragraph.

-- This invention relates to a method and apparatus for recording foods or medicines by scanning for analysis. More particularly, this invention relates to a method and apparatus for recording information associated with for foods or medical commodities for indicating a caution to their consumer. Still more particularly, this invention relates to a method and apparatus for relating recorded information with consumption data by amount or interaction data indicating when a user should be aware of possible adverse interactions. Still more particularly, this invention relates to a method and apparatus for relating scanner-generated data with a database uniquely related to a particular individual for consumption information, particularly related to amounts and quantities of consumed goods. Data collection may be made by a barcode scanner, while data transmission may be hard-wired or wireless, such as by global positioning system (GPS) transmission. --

Please replace the paragraph at page 8, line 30 with the following rewritten paragraph.

-- Fig. 1b illustrates that the apparatus of Fig. 1a may comprise a device itself, and a remote computer having the items database 22, the medical profile database, and the memory 16 at a location separate from the device. While the device and a remote computer can be hardwired in a conventional matter, such as transferring data by telephone lines, the invention also contemplates using a wireless connection as seen in Fig. 1b. Moreover, the wireless connection may include a GPS system for ascertaining the location of scanned data sensed by the device and transferred to a remote computer. --

Please replace the paragraph at page 11, line 15 with the following rewritten paragraph.

A. -- This invention specifies an electronic device that is preferably portable, for example by a palm-top computer plus a scanner or fixed or portable personal computer or microprocessor. The most preferred embodiment incorporates a processor 10, an integral scanner 14, a clock 12, a display 18, preferably of the LCD type, a user memory 16, a removable memory 22 containing items information in a database and a removable memory 36 storing the user medical profile. Fig. 2 represents one construction of the invention, but other constructions and configurations are possible. --

Please replace the paragraph at page 12, line 12 with the following rewritten paragraph.

-- In the meantime, the allergy, or incompatibility between the user and the scanned item will be checked by comparing data stored in the medical profile and desired nutrient and chemical content of the item. Data stored in the medical profile database 36 can also be used to fine-tune the suggested serving size extracted from the item database (for instance, when this serving size is depending upon the age or the weight of the user). --